# ABSTRACT

Program data for use in electronic program guides is sorted in advance of delivery to a low resource client. In the described implementation, the program data is sorted according to a parameter that is likely to be searched at the client, such as by program title, actor name, and so forth. In one example, the program data is sorted according to a stopped name version of the program title. When delivered to the client, the low resource client is able to perform fast binary searches on the sorted program data.